

Acronyms

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| 7Q10 | 10-year, 7-day minimum flow |
| AMSA | American Metropolitan Sewerage Association |
| ASIWPCA | Association of State and Interstate Water Pollution Control Administration |
| AWT | Advanced wastewater treatment |
| BOD | Biochemical oxygen demand |
| BOD ₅ | 5-day biochemical oxygen demand |
| BOD _u | Ultimate biochemical oxygen demand |
| C:DW | Carbon-to-dry weight ratio |
| CBOD | Carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand |
| CSO | Combined sewer overflow |
| CTDEP | Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection |
| CU | Catalog unit |
| CWA | Clean Water Act |
| CWNS | Clean Water Needs Survey |
| CWSRF | Clean Water State Revolving Fund |
| DMR | Discharge monitoring report |
| DO | Dissolved oxygen |
| FR | Federal Register |
| FWPCA | Federal Water Pollution Control Act/Administration |
| FWQA | Federal Water Quality Administration |
| FY | Fiscal Year |
| GAO | General Accounting Office |
| GICS | Grants Information and Control System |
| gpcd | gallons per capita per day |
| HUC | Hydrologic unit catalog |
| ICPRB | Interstate Commission on Potomac River Basin |
| IFD | Industrial Facilities Discharge File |
| mgd | Million gallons per day |
| MPN | Most probable number |
| MSA | Metropolitan Statistical Area |
| mt/day | Metric tons per day (1,000 kg per day) |
| MWCOG | Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments |
| N | Nitrogen |
| NAS | National Academy of Sciences |
| NBOD | Nitrogenous biochemical oxygen demand |
| NCWQ | National Commission on Water Quality |
| NH ₃ -N | Ammonia nitrogen |
| NO ₂ -N | Nitrite nitrogen |
| NO ₃ -N | Nitrate nitrogen |
| NOAA | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| NPDES | National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System |
| NPS | Nonpoint source; also National Park Service |
| NRC | National Research Council |

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| NRDC | Natural Resources Defense Council |
| NURP | National Urban Runoff Project |
| NWPCAM | National Water Pollution Control Assessment Model |
| NWRI | National Water Research Institute |
| O | Oxygen |
| O&M | Operation and Maintenance |
| ODEQ | Oregon Department of Environmental Quality |
| OTA | Office of Technology Assessment |
| OWM | EPA Office of Wastewater Management |
| P | Phosphorus |
| PCS | Permit Compliance System |
| PE | Population equivalent |
| PL | Public Law |
| PO ₄ -P | Phosphate phosphorus |
| POC | Particulate organic carbon |
| POM | Particulate organic matter |
| POTW | Publicly owned treatment works |
| QA/QC | Quality assurance/quality control |
| RF1 | Reach File 1 |
| SAV | Submersed aquatic vegetation |
| SIC | Standard Industrial Classification |
| STORET | EPA's STORage and RETrieval database |
| TKN | Total kjeldahl nitrogen |
| TN | Total nitrogen |
| TOC | Total Organic Carbon |
| TP | Total phosphorus |
| TPC | Typical Pollutant Concentration |
| TSS | Total suspended solids |
| USAC | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers |
| USCB | U.S. Census Bureau |
| USDA | U.S. Department of Agriculture |
| USDOC | U.S. Department of Commerce |
| USDOI | U.S. Department of Interior |
| USEPA | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency |
| USGS | U.S. Geological Survey |
| USPHS | U.S. Public Health Service |
| WEF | Water Environment Federation |
| WIN | Water Infrastructure Network |
| WPCF | Water Pollution Control Federation |